FORCE EXEMPTION CARD APPLICATION PROCESS

REF ISAF HQ SOP 232, FORCE EXEMPTION CARDS

FEC BACKGROUND

- The FEC is an ISAF/HQ issued item authorized only when performing specified duties
- Category A: Allows weapon status ROMEO at all ISAF installation (chambered, on safe)
 - Eligible groups include: ISAF FP, IMP, PSD, CPT, HUMINT/CI teams, 1811
 Special Agents, NATO CI National Agent
- Category B: Allows search exemption at ISAF installation ECP for up to 5 individuals (escort must search/validate identity of escortees prior to arrival at the ECP)
 - Eligible groups include: ISAF FP, IMP, HUMINT/CI teams, ISAF medical personnel (with Installation CC coordination), 1811 Special Agents, NATO CI National Agent

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- FEC Request Form (ISAF HQ SOP 332, Appendix C)
 - o Must already possess valid ISAF/FAC badge
 - o Endorsed by OF 5 or equivalent
- Manning roster validating duty position/FEC requirement
- Submit package (electronic or hard copy) to ISAF HQ Chief Theater Security Officer
 - o Currently this is Mr. Robert McGlone, Robert.McGlone@hq.isaf.nato.int

PROCESSING

- ISAF Chief of Staff is the only approval authority for Facility Access Card holders
- ISAF Chief Theatre Security Officer has approval authority for ISAF badge holders
- Approved FEC badges must be picked up in person at Kabul by the agency
- Badging process will take approximately 1-2 weeks w/ proper documentation
- Exceptions to policy (i.e. SOF) require ISAF COS approval

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- FEC's are accountable, serial numbered items and will not be removed from theatre.
- Upon redeployment out of theatre, FEC's will be returned to ISAF HQ badging office
- FEC's are only valid when being used for mission requirements and must be shown in conjunction with a valid ISAF or FAC badge
- Escortees' weapons must be unloaded prior to entering KAF

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